

Dear Committee Members,

What you have before you is my best attempt at a fair and responsible solution to the Erie County Re-Appportionment Issue. The controlling idea behind the drawing of my map rests on prioritizing the 4 Key Principals of Redistricting in the following order:

1. Meeting Population requirements
  - a. This is in accordance with:
    - i. The Federal & State "One Person - One Vote" requirements.
  - b. The overall Reason for the redistricting of legislative jurisdictions with the denial census is to preserve equal representation within that legislative body.
    - i. Therefore, meeting the Mean Population requirement (83,549) was first priority.
    - ii. All of my proposed 11 districts are within 10% variance in either direction from the Mean.
2. Communities of Interest and Demographic Representation
  - a. This is in accordance with:
    - i. Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965
  - b. Communities of interest are defined as groups of people living in close proximity that share common interests, views, or social problems. In an Erie context, it could refer to anything from the Allentown Historic District of Buffalo to the Rural Farming Communities of the Municipalities of Sardinia and Holland in the South-East Region of the county. Any demographic that shares common goals and issues is considered a community of interest.
    - i. Minority Populations of Buffalo's East (predominantly African American) and Lower West (Hispanic) sides are combined to increase the overall voting power of those communities.
      1. These are also two of the largest districts. The reason for these districts being within 107-109% of the allowed variance is because without making them that large, there wouldn't exist the possibility of having two minority districts.
3. Compact and Contiguous
  - a. This is in accordance with:
    - i. Federal and State laws and statutes
  - b. The Compact and contiguous issue is one that I believe is mostly common sense. Communities adjacent to one another generally share common geography, neighborhoods, and demographics.

- i. For this reason, I have grouped Grand Island with Tonawanda as compared to another part of the county.
  - ii. In addition, there is no municipality has been divided into more than two districts, with the exception of the City of Buffalo and Town of Amherst.
- 4. Preserving Municipal Boundaries
  - a. This is in accordance with:
    - i. State stature emphasizing that municipalities not be divided if it can be avoided.
  - b. Preserving Municipal boundaries is generally priority one in outlying rural and suburban communities where towns and villages are generally very similar.
  - c. That being said, Erie County contains a large metropolitan city in the form of Buffalo.
    - i. In the metro area, focus needs to be on neighborhoods and greater communities rather than municipal boundaries that often bisect these communities.
    - ii. Because of this, **the immediate peripheral suburbs are subject to possible division based on community/neighborhood boundaries.**
      - 1. ie: Cheektowaga, Tonawanda, Lackawanna, Amherst, ect.

I hope you will consider my final product when drawing the new Legislative Boundaries. Also, I have all of my previous work (maps, demographic break-downs, ect) on electronic file and would be happy to share them with the committee if they desire more information. Thank you.

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Census Tract 42	3,520	3,452	134	3,230	15	51	0	22	68	87
Census Tract 43	5,975	5,800	922	4,705	12	95	1	65	175	201
Census Tract 44.01	4,165	4,066	289	3,895	7	33	1	31	99	92
Census Tract 44.02	2,682	2,637	58	2,524	9	1	0	45	45	122
Census Tract 53	1,458	1,432	1,037	336	9	37	2	11	26	44
Census Tract 102.01	2,801	2,726	2,004	663	9	22	1	27	75	83
Census Tract 102.02	3,375	3,258	1,455	1,657	13	76	0	57	117	185
Census Tract 103	1,336	1,297	637	635	3	16	0	6	39	56
Census Tract 169	3,634	3,541	2,315	1,089	30	51	0	56	93	233
Census Tract 105	2,332	2,247	1,674	504	10	36	0	23	85	86
Census Tract 63.02	2,589	2,536	2,350	104	20	48	0	14	53	109
Census Tract 54	3,850	3,741	3,108	439	18	114	0	62	109	198
Census Tract 55	4,054	3,822	2,515	750	61	248	1	247	232	637
	84,598		26716	52,071	353	1956	21	1105	2376	3691

Census Tract 125.01	4,585	4,487	4,311	94	8	29	2	43	98	202
Census Tract 125.02	1,879	1,853	1,813	25	1	7	0	7	26	56
Census Tract 72.02	1,839	1,577	1,015	345	6	33	0	178	62	432
Census Tract 23	3,336	3,270	2,922	241	18	37	0	52	86	205
Census Tract 24	4,257	4,145	3,343	687	30	35	3	47	112	266
Census Tract 162	2,352	2,293	2,174	87	10	4	0	38	59	126
Census Tract 174	3,783	3,565	2,025	1,322	13	27	0	178	218	493
Census Tract 128	2,553	2,511	2,442	36	11	11	0	11	42	95
Census Tract 130.01	3,079	3,046	2,991	26	10	4	0	15	33	70
79,857 68,220 6559 471 581 16 1831 2179 6221										

## 6. University/Egbertsville District

	Total population	Race								Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
		One race							Two or More Races	
		Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race		
Census Tract 45	5,469	5,325	3,658	1,436	37	90	3	101	144	253
Census Tract 46.01	3,514	3,399	2,030	514	6	807	0	42	115	140
Census Tract 46.02	1,374	1,326	712	179	1	396	2	36	48	79
Census Tract 47	6,709	6,499	1,766	4,314	21	314	5	79	210	301
Census Tract 48	3,819	3,747	3,275	347	24	50	4	47	72	198
Census Tract 51	4,416	4,252	3,113	931	41	55	4	108	164	364
Census Tract 79.03	3,377	3,351	3,238	43	19	33	0	18	26	70
Census Tract 79.04	3,081	3,067	2,962	31	2	52	0	20	14	56
Census Tract 80.01	5,730	5,582	5,129	314	32	65	0	42	148	167
Census Tract 80.02	5,393	5,303	5,022	186	7	55	1	32	90	136
Census Tract 80.03	5,234	5,142	4,733	222	24	119	0	44	92	167
Census Tract 91.09	3,149	3,111	2,534	118	8	432	0	19	38	80
Census Tract 91.10	5,737	5,587	3,782	511	12	1,174	1	107	150	300
Census Tract 91.15	3,308	3,242	2,319	156	6	734	0	27	66	75
Census Tract 92	4,294	4,204	3,273	344	9	552	2	24	90	115
Census Tract 93.01	5,293	5,080	3,139	1,110	17	775	1	38	213	194
Census Tract 93.02	2,637	2,580	2,217	216	7	132	0	8	57	58
Census Tract 94.01	5,811	5,704	4,930	399	9	324	0	42	107	146
Census Tract 95.01	5,111	5,009	4,509	380	4	87	0	29	102	124
Census Tract 49	5,983	5,754	4,595	936	52	57	0	114	229	400
Census Tract 50	2,409	2,313	1,738	445	18	32	2	78	96	195
	91,848		68,674	13,132	356	6335	25	1055	2271	3618

## 7. Clarence/Lancaster

	Total population	Race								Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
		One race							Two or More Races	
		Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race		
Census Tract 147.01	5,596	5,554	5,448	43	4	48	2	9	42	65
Census Tract 147.02	8,064	7,978	7,755	58	8	135	2	20	86	91
Census Tract 148.01	4,915	4,857	4,592	71	7	183	2	2	58	63
Census Tract 148.03	4,487	4,420	4,061	61	3	276	0	19	67	84
Census Tract 148.04	7,611	7,524	6,929	117	9	451	0	18	87	115
Census Tract 142.04	3,944	3,920	3,860	14	15	26	0	5	24	62
Census Tract 142.06	7,002	6,943	6,830	40	3	50	0	20	59	87
Census Tract 142.07	5,338	5,287	5,088	102	7	63	0	27	51	68
Census Tract 142.08	4,824	4,789	4,673	73	11	27	0	5	35	60
Census Tract 142.09	4,210	4,184	4,087	59	7	23	0	8	26	52
Census Tract 143	6,141	6,068	5,996	41	5	9	0	17	73	90
Census Tract 144	4,211	4,166	4,087	30	22	18	0	11	45	60
Census Tract 145.01	3,555	3,518	3,470	21	3	17	0	7	37	43
Census Tract 145.02	2,379	2,341	2,274	27	12	17	0	11	38	66
Census Tract 141.01	6,179	6,158	6,112	9	8	15	4	10	21	47
Census Tract 90.04	3,468	3,420	3,126	93	10	176	0	15	48	68
81,924 78,388 859 134 1532 10 204 797 1121										

## 8. Eastern Border District

Total population	Race								Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
	One race							Two or More Races	
	Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race		

	Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race		
Census Tract 148.01	2,566	2,530	2,468	10	40	6	0	6	38
Census Tract 148.03	6,028	5,989	5,872	32	46	28	3	8	47
Census Tract 940.1	34	34	0	0	34	0	0	0	0
Census Tract 149.01	2,605	2,590	2,536	14	8	31	0	1	12
Census Tract 149.03	5,873	5,834	5,801	12	4	9	0	8	41
Census Tract 149.04	2,387	2,376	1,096	1,138	21	5	0	116	232
Census Tract 150.01	5,327	5,299	5,252	13	11	19	0	4	33
Census Tract 150.02	3,005	2,972	2,924	16	15	11	1	5	32
Census Tract 150.03	3,401	3,370	3,329	16	14	8	0	3	38
Census Tract 151.01	3,265	3,249	3,220	3	8	14	2	2	17
Census Tract 151.02	2,775	2,756	2,716	6	13	18	0	3	19
Census Tract 138	7,818	7,762	7,667	16	3	56	0	20	81
Census Tract 139	2,225	2,198	2,174	14	1	6	0	3	16
Census Tract 140	3,739	3,708	3,659	11	6	21	2	9	46
Census Tract 152.01	3,082	3,060	3,044	3	0	7	0	6	31
Census Tract 152.02	4,941	4,911	4,850	7	19	18	2	15	47
Census Tract 158	4,198	4,167	4,140	9	7	10	0	1	52
Census Tract 159	4,296	4,249	4,128	46	35	26	1	13	99
Census Tract 175.01	1,518	1,486	1,349	7	120	7	0	3	33
Census Tract 175.02	2,404	2,367	2,310	18	30	1	0	8	41
Census Tract 161	2,676	2,673	1,354	1,102	37	7	0	173	383
Census Tract 157	3,523	3,469	3,398	11	46	0	0	14	82
	77,686		73,287	2504	518	308	11	421	637
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## 9. Greater Amherst

Total population	Race							Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
	One race							
	Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races
Census Tract 90.06	7,299	7,191	6,237	321	9	597	4	23
Census Tract 90.07	7,641	7,493	6,528	151	11	779	5	19
Census Tract 90.08	4,979	4,918	4,288	148	7	465	1	9
Census Tract 90.09	4,888	4,811	4,313	147	15	313	0	23
Census Tract 90.10	5,689	5,588	4,823	214	2	532	0	17
Census Tract 91.04	4,149	4,098	3,774	124	5	183	0	12
Census Tract 91.06	3,015	2,957	2,658	185	5	90	0	19
Census Tract 91.07	5,260	5,046	3,702	926	18	345	2	53
Census Tract 91.12	2,922	2,840	2,549	70	4	195	0	22
Census Tract 91.13	6,858	6,786	6,144	166	12	447	0	17
Census Tract 91.14	4,166	4,116	3,625	163	6	309	0	13
Census Tract 91.16	5,225	5,152	4,425	340	12	341	1	33
Census Tract 94.02	4,324	4,303	4,097	111	6	74	1	14
Census Tract 95.02	6,684	6,589	6,165	264	10	127	0	23
Census Tract 89	4,213	4,188	4,016	72	6	49	0	25
Census Tract 96	6,245	6,161	5,385	280	10	443	8	35
	83,558		72,729	3682	138	5289	22	357
								1341
								1710

## 10. West Seneca/ Orchard Park

Total population	Race							Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
	One race							
	Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races
Census Tract 112	6,770	6,735	6,627	55	12	25	1	15
Census Tract 113	4,770	4,713	4,563	76	5	51	0	18
Census Tract 114	2,248	2,208	2,104	52	20	2	1	29
Census Tract 115	1,503	1,484	1,453	8	10	9	0	4
Census Tract 116	1,952	1,936	1,876	16	4	32	0	8
Census Tract 117	4,112	4,077	4,005	11	14	21	0	26
Census Tract 118	3,754	3,740	3,653	40	11	31	2	3
Census Tract 120.01	4,118	4,084	4,025	29	7	14	0	9
Census Tract 120.02	3,479	3,462	3,429	10	2	15	0	6
Census Tract 120.03	4,844	4,819	4,758	20	2	35	0	4
Census Tract 173	7,161	7,107	6,979	66	9	45	0	8
Census Tract 135.01	7,164	7,116	6,939	43	16	92	0	26
Census Tract 135.02	6,859	6,784	6,621	25	7	112	1	18
Census Tract 136	3,077	3,047	2,963	29	12	36	1	6
Census Tract 137.01	6,284	6,258	6,142	46	14	44	3	9
Census Tract 137.02	5,670	5,614	5,430	68	14	88	1	13
Census Tract 141.02	5,138	5,118	5,080	10	5	17	1	5
	78,903		76,647	604	164	669	11	207
								601
								1241

## 11. Hamburg/Eden

Total population	Race							Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
	One race							
	Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races

		Total	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Some Other Race		
Census Tract 9400	1,836	1,772	150	2	1,612	7	0	1	64	65
Census Tract 129.02	3,556	3,522	3,433	32	17	26	0	14	34	94
Census Tract 130.02	5,386	5,330	5,212	52	8	35	1	22	56	133
Census Tract 131.01	6,498	6,423	6,261	56	34	35	1	36	75	154
Census Tract 131.02	8,334	8,286	8,154	24	33	39	1	35	48	150
Census Tract 132.01	5,940	5,876	5,748	33	19	57	0	19	64	94
Census Tract 132.02	5,023	4,992	4,922	27	11	22	0	10	31	74
Census Tract 133	3,538	3,505	3,473	10	4	12	0	6	33	49
Census Tract 134	6,270	6,234	6,148	28	12	32	0	14	36	88
Census Tract 153.01	4,924	4,898	4,834	23	13	13	2	13	26	58
Census Tract 153.02	2,764	2,747	2,700	9	10	6	0	22	17	78
Census Tract 154.01	2,667	2,639	2,567	24	28	12	1	7	28	54
Census Tract 154.02	5,069	5,024	4,948	22	38	6	3	7	45	83
Census Tract 155.01	2,127	2,089	2,020	12	45	2	0	10	38	63
Census Tract 155.03	2,628	2,596	2,501	39	43	11	0	2	32	45
Census Tract 155.04	3,865	3,806	3,726	18	48	3	1	10	59	54
Census Tract 156	2,065	2,037	1,915	20	95	1	0	6	28	57
Census Tract 129.01	6,759	6,685	6,458	109	20	52	3	43	74	213
	79,249		75170	540	2,090	371	13	277	788	1606

District w/ highest populatic University/Eggertsville % Dev: 9.90%  
District w/ lowest Population Eastern Border % Dev: 7.10%

Municipalities Divided: Town of Tonawanda  
Amherst  
City of Buffalo  
Cheektowaga  
Town of Hamburg  
Town of Elma